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SUMMARY OF THE DAY'S NEWS

The Weather. WASHINGTON March 14.—Forecast for Tucsday and Wednesday Tucsday and Virginia-Parity cloudy Tucsday and Wednesday; fresh northwest winds. North Carolinia-Fair Tucsday, colder in south portion; Wednesday fair, fresh northwest winds.

There was considerable rain in Rich-nond yesterday and the atmosphere was ather raw and piercing. There was a old mist at night with stationary tem-erature.

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Richmond.

Colonel George Wayne Anderson Issues statement vindicating the military who were on duty at Rounoke—Rev. Father William Mayer streken while conducting service at St. Mary's Church and dies before morning—Strong denials that the vote on the Machen primary bill was along Martin and anti-Martin or even anti-primary and pro-primary lines; congressmen generally opposed the measure—General Assembly has completed its work and will formally adjourn to-day—Pulpi Committee of First Baptist Church falls to decide on pastor to be called, but Rev. Dr. Woelrkin is said to be the favorite—Mr. Danies to run the Casino at Newport News and elects officers—Death of Mr. John T. Powers, long a well known commission in merchant—Reported that the saie of the Common tobacco business to the British-American Tobacco Company will result in the close of the factory in Petersburg—Rev James B. Cook extended at call to the Presbyterian Church as of the force of the factory for the Comforts of the factory in Petersburg—Rev James B. Cook extended at call to the Presbyterian Church as of the factory for the Comforts of the factory of the Anti-Son to become office secretary of the Anti-Saloon League—Evangelist Schiveria nier enters upon als duties as secretary military records of Virginia. MAN-EFFER—Board of Aldermen meets light—Question of licenses still being ussed—Marriage to day of Mr. Walli and Mrs. McGee—Meeting of Elis night—Funeral of Ernest-O. Newby Base-ball club to be organized—Mr. met Levy in town—Chicken thieves oad.

a stockholders' meeting of the la Power and Passenger Company ersburg—Ten-year-old boy in Din-killed by a falling tree.

North Carolina.

The city of Charlotte enjoined by the Senboard Air Line from making a grade crossing—A burgiar surrounded in a store at Shisbury shoots chief of police and one of his men and lights his way out, making his escape—Miss. McCreary who was badly hurt by tra nat Linwood Sturday, has fair chance of recover.—Bequest of \$10,000 to Elon College by rich New Yorker—The town of Pineville enearly destroyed by fire; one store left standing—Bench warrants issued for Captain V. E. McBoe, and complaining stockholders, charging them with conspiracy to wreck Atlantic and North Carolina Railroad.

General.

DEFEAT OF THE PRIMARY BILL

Senator Martin Denies THE TROOPS

SENATOR BARKSDALE ALSO MAKES DENIAL

Junior Senator Has Never Discussed Bill.

THE MEASURE KILLED BY ITS OWN FRIENDS

A Number of State Senators Quoted as to the Cause of the Defeat of the Machen Bill. Its Defects Lost Votes of Primary Ad-

its fallure of enactment into law, was, naper aix months ago on the subject of

Senator Martin's Denial. The Washington correspondent of this

paper wired the following last night: Senator Martin had no hesitation in

Senator Martin had no hesitation in saying that he was indifferent as to the face of the bill. He said:

"I have never read the Machen bill," he said, "and am not at all familiar with its provisions. During the secolpsed legislation on the subject of our sion of the Legislature which has just State; than y elections was never discussed between any of my friends in the Legislature and myself. Occasionally the matter was referred to, and on all such occasions I distinctly stated that I had no desire to make any suggestions in respect to the subject other than to say it was my wish to see the matter disposed of in the interest of the Democratic party and without any reference to my candidacy or the candidacy of any one else.

"I stated that I believed I could set along with any law or plan under which any other candidate could live, that it was my sincere desire that the Legislature should consider and dispose of the matter purely with reference to the welfare of the Democratic party. I feel the same way as to any action the Democratic State convention may see fit to take."

The city of Charlotte enjoined by the the warmest friends Senator Martin enboard Air Line from making a grade in Virginia, said to-night that he was in virginia, said to night that he was op-posed to the bill chiefly because his cri-leagues were opposed to it, but that he was rather inclined to regret its defeat,

Senatorial Lines Not Drawn.

Inquiry develops the further fact that the vote for and against the bill is not

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VINDICATED

Halifax Member States That the Colonel George Wayne Anderson Receives Reports From Captains at Roanoke.

BUT FOUR MEN WERE DRUNK

This Number of the Total of 720 Were Taken Into Custody by Their Officers.

offense, has taken official cognizance of ed from the captains commanding the various companies, has completely, cuted the troops and refuted the charge of the Mayor of Roanoke, reflecting upon

Colonel Anderson addressed each com Colonel Anderson addressed each company commander an inquiry for detailed reports, based on a searching investigation to ascertain the truth or faisity of the mayor's charge of drunkenness and disorder made against the troops. These statements summarized and sifted show that but four men were arrested for any cause and they were taken into custody and turned over to the civil authorities on their own initiative by the commanding officers of the companies. In no case was there any disorder worthy of note and the Mayor himself is reported to have spoken lightly of the arrests there. These men are to be tried by court-martial and punished as the military law directs.

Colonel Anderson's Letter.

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Colonel Anderson is to fight wrote the following statement, addressed to the editor of The Times Dispatch, stating the result of his inquiry:
To the Editor of The Times Dispatch:
Sir.—On February 24th, you published a signed statement of the Mayor of Roanoke, in which it was charged that there was no disorder in the city of Roanoke on the day of the trial of the negro. Williams, except that which was created by the drunken soldiers, who were arrested, etc.

On the same day I dictated letters to the commanding officers of the several companies on duty in Roanoke, informing them of the Mayor's charge and calling upon them officially for detailed statements in regard to the matter. The demands upon my time during the closing weeks of the General Assembly have prevented an earlier statement by me of the facts as developed by my inquiries.

I have detailed, signed statements before me from every captain on duty in Roanoke except from the captains of the two Roanoke companies. With two exceptions, the captains indignantly deny that any of their men were either drunk or disorderly. One captain reports that he put one of his enlisted men under arrest himself and sent him to the police station, but that the man created no disturbance and gave no trouble to the Roanoke authorities. Another captain reported that he personally arrested three of his men and conducted them to the office of the chief of nolfce, where he had them detained smith the troops left Roanoke.

There were, therefore, four men out of the seven hundred and twenty-four

lice station, without trouble or annoyance to the civil authorities.

The captains report that the Mayor himself, being in the station, spoke lightly of the affair as being trivial and to be expected in so large a number of ber of men, I will add that all four men will in

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REV. FATHER WILLIAM MAYER, O. S. B.

REMAINS LIE IN STATE THROUGHOUT TO-DAY

WINS GREAT VICTORY

Supreme Court Decides in Favor United States in Famous Merger Case

NOTABLE COMPANY ON HAND

Many Distinguished Men Gathered to Hear the Opinion. Court Divided.

WASHINGTON, D. C., March 14.-In

he United States Supreme Court to-day vs. the Unfetd States in favor of the was handed down by Justice Harlar, and it upheld the decree of the Circuit Court for the District or Minnesota in every

sented from the tive constituting the majority.

The division in the court was due to a difference of opinion as to the right of Federal control of State corporations. The majority opinion proceeded on the theory that Congress has a right under the Constitution to control interstate commerce, no matter by whom conducted, while the majority or dissenting opinion. was based on the theory that in th present case the effort is to regulate the ownership of railroad stocks by State corporations, and that such ownership is not interstate traffic.

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Funeral of Father William to Occur To-morrow and Interment be Made Here.

SUDDEN DEATH GREAT SHOCK

Much-Loved Pastor Is Stricken With Paralysis While Conducting Sunday Night Service.

Within the sanctuary, where on Sun mains of the Rev. Father William Mayer. Catholic Church, of this city, will lie in state to-day and to-morrow until 10 A. M., when the solemn and improssive re quiem services, conducted by two bishops

A guard of honor, made up of repre now composed in death. The body will be taken from the priory at 9 oclock this morning, and removed thence to the church. Thereafter, surrounded by every-evidence of deep mourning and grief heartfelt, the German Catholics and many others besides will enter and beside the coffin offer prayers for the faithful departed. Between that time and the funeral hour hundreds will pass silently in in and as silently out, until all who wish have stood for a moment in the presence of the sacred dead.

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By special permission of the abbot of the Benedictines, who is now on his way to Richmond, the interment will be made here under the auspices of the congregation the deceased priest served during the past case the effort is to regulate the ownership of radirond stocks by State corporations, and that such ownership is not interstate traffic.

Secret Not Kept.

An effort was made by the court to the congregation prevailed, however, and (Continued on Third Page.)

FILL CHANNEL

SUNKEN BOATS

CLEVELAND APPLAUDED

House of Representatives Emphasizes Eulogy of the Princeton Statesman and McKinley.

"BLIGHT TO CONSTITUTION"

Mr. Patterson, of Tennessee, So Characterizes the Fifteenth Amendment.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
WASHINGTON, D. C., March 14.—
Legislation for the District of Columbia and the postoffice appropriation bill ocupled the attention of the House of Representatives to-day.

nost attention. There was some discussion of the Postoffice. Department in shich Mr. Moon (Tennessee), reviewed the action of the committee in bringing it mittee could not have made any change

of ex-President Cleveland by Mr. Pat-terson (Tennessee), and a moment later also by Mr. Patterson. Ex-President (Seveland, he said, had not hesitated to heten to political and other agrice from the South, and President McKinley had done much to heal the breach between

the South, and President McKinley had done much to heal the breach between the North and South.

"Although President Cleveland made mistakes," declared Mr. Patterson, "he certainly did not make them against the interests of the South, and whatevi mistakes he made were like specks upon the sun as compared to his great character, his true Americanism and his unblemished honor."

The blight of the fifteenth amendment to the Constitution had reversed the previous great record of the South in producing Presidents, but Mr. Patterson expressed the belief that a Democratic romine from the South would not lose a single electoral yets, le tin party. In this connection he martioned as possible candidates John G. Carliste, Spresentative Williams, the minority floor leader, and Senator Bailey of Texas. The latter two names were applauded.

Favored Rural Delivery.

Favored Rural Delivery. Mr. Thomas, Democrat, of North Car-olina, favoved the rural free delivery and denied that the Domocratic party had not shown enthusiasm in establishing the ser-

Mr. Crumpacker, Republican, of Indiana, read a letter from F. S. Cunningham, president of the National Carriers' Association, urging rural free delivery carriers to telegraph immediately to their members of Congress to vote to increase the salaries of rural free delivery carriers.

Mr. Crumpacker said he believed this a fulfillment of the prophecy of ex-Representative Loud, that these carriers would organize a great political machine and dictate to Congress.

Mr. Maddox, Democrat, of Georgia, wanted to know if the civil service regulations did not prohibit interfering in legislation.

legislation.
Mr. Crumpacker remarked that his

ties.

Mr. Maddox declared holly that he had received a number of such telegrams.

The House adjourned until to-morrow.

TO TEACH IN FRANCE

PARIS, March 14.—The Chamber of Deputies to-day by 518 to 231 votes, adopted the first section of the bill prohibiting members of religious orders of any kind of teaching, primary, secondary or superior. The size of the majority indicates the early passage of the measure as a whole.

SMALLPOX IN BRISTOL SOCIETY

Dreaded Disease Attacks Former Mayor's Wife and Many Prom-

inent Ladies Exposed. (Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

PRISTOL, VA., March 14.-The smallpox situation here is causing some uneasiness among the better class of people. Cooks, who have roumed at liberty into all quarters of the city, are affording an excellent opportunity for the spread of the disease. The cook at the home of ex-Mayor C. F. Gauthier became ill of smallpox, and was at work in the home for some time before the real nature of her affliction was suspected. As a result, Mrs. Gauthier has contracted the disease. Social functions were held at the Gauthier home after Mrs. Gauthier became ill. and the ladies attending called at her room to pay their respects. In

the treasurer of the house, attempted to stop them, but was knocked down and one of the men fired at him, but missed. The two occupants of the box then ran from the theatre and disappeared.

PHILADELPHIANS AT

BAT IN SAVANNAH

(By Associated Press.)

SAVANNAH, GA., March 14.—The Philadelphia National League base-ball team savived here to-day on the sleamer Alegaran, Manager Duffy has nineteen men with him. Light preliminary work was indulged in this afternoon. Heavy practive will be begun to-morrow.

at her room to pay their respects. In this way it is thought that a number of persons were exposed to the disease. The cook at the home of Hon. H. G. Peters, in the house adjoining the disease, she having been associated with the cook at the disease, the cook at the home of Hon. H. G. Peters, in the house adjoining the disease, she having been associated with the cook at the home of Hon. H. G. Peters, in the house adjoining the disease, the Guthler home.

It view of the probable exposures, the City Council of Bristol, Va., held a meeting in this room for a period of filteen days. There is much unensiness on the Virginia side, and every possible offort will be made to prevent further spread of the disease,

Makaroff, at Port Arthur, Aggressive From Start

'DON'T SPARE COAL" ADMIRAL'S ORDERS

Further Instructs Russian Fleet to Remain Outside-Likely to Unite Remnants.

VLADIVOSTOK FLEET CANNOT BE FOUND SO FAR

Opinion Grows Stronger That It Is Still in Harbor-Russians Stoutly Deny Any Idea of Abandoning Port Arthur. Japanese Gun Cotton Captured.

LONDON, March 15 .- A. correspondent of the Dally Mall at New Chwang, says Reavizan, four Russian steamers, the channel available, Vice-Admiral Makaroff having previously ordered the whole economy in coal being unnecessary.

correspondent says, is "on Russian in-Vice-Admiral Makaroff will adopt the te bring togather Russia's scattered naquarter being in a disputch from a cor

"Vice-Admiral Makaroff has issued orders to the effect that the saving of ctal is unnecessary, but that the big gun ammunition in the forts must not be wasted. Byticently this ammunition is running short."

The Daily Telegraph's Tokio correspon-

dent sends an unconfirmed rumor to the effect that Japanese marines have landed

and occupied Dainy.

It may be remarked that the British newspapers all regard Vice-Admiral Togo's report that he has laid mines at Port Arthur ts a mere bluff, and they say that such a feat would be impossible under fire. The Dally Mail thinks that if Vice-Admiral Makaroff closed the channel that a profession or prayan, the ingreas of

RUSSIANS MUCH ANNOYED.

Commanders of Foreign Gunboats Asking Too Many Questions.

(By Associated Press.)
YIN KOW, March 14.—The local Rus-YIN KOW, March 14.—The local Russian authorities are apparently incensed and manifestly much annoyed at the solicitous irquiries of the commanders of foreign gunboats regarding the projected blocking of the Liao River before the arrival of the Japanese, which latter event is regarded as a foregone conclusion. Although the blocking of the Liao and also the defense of the settlement and native town are regarded as unattainable, it is certain that a disposition of guns has been made and a defense plan has already been arranged. The arrival of General Kondratovitch a few days ago, however, threatened to cause the abandonment of the original intention.

The best Russian information obtainable

The best Russian information obtainable at Port Arthur and New Chwang admits the government's intention to fall back indefinitely until it can complete the mobilization of 300,000 troops for the purpose of assaulting and opposing the Japanese, and probably 100,000 more to oppose the Chinese.

The same opinion asserts that Vice Admiral Makaroff will fight hard. He is determined to weaken the enemy at any cost, and make the operation of the Baltic Sea fleet in the Far East feasible, though it may be necessary to fight without the Pallada, Czarevitch and Retvizan, which, it is admitted, cannot be fully repaired within six months. On account of the uncertainty of successfully constructing mud docks in which to repair the Czarevitch and Retvizan, naval experts allow a year for the work.

RISK LIVES TO RESCUE.

Japanese Did All Possible to Save Russian

(By Associated Press.)

TOKIO, Monday, March 14.—A supplementary report from Vice-Admiral Togo concerning the effort made by the crews of the Japanese torpede boat destroyers in action off Port Arthur on the 10th lightant to rescue the crews of the disabled Russian torpede boat destroyers reached have to-day. Captain Sholiro Assi, com-

MAY KNOCK OUT

ASK GOVERNOR TO

VETO LIQUOR BILL

(Sheelal to The Tines-D spatch.)

NORFOLK, VA. March M.—At the weeklip meeting of the Methodist preachers toright resolutions were unanimously
altopted requesting Governor A. J. Montague to veto the bill recently passed by
the Legislature taking off the Jall sentence in the case of liquor law violators.

A copy of the resolutions was ordered
to be forwarded at once to the Governor,
in whose sandies it is proposed to false
might wait.

Mr. Turpin is a game fighter, and is,
serhaps, the ablest debater on the flow
ins side of the story, and will erdeavor
o show by his argument that it is not
instructed and expenses indiscriminately.

If the budget shall not be concurred
in by the board tonight, as it came from
the lower branch, it may be tied up for
some time in a conference committee.

The matter of raising so many salaries now is an interesting one, and the
for consideration,

REV. MR. COOK **RECEIVES CALL**

Big Fight Expected Over the Invited to Take Charge of the Church at Clifton Forge,

> (Special to The Times-Dispatch.) CLIFTON FORGE, VA., March 14. The Presbyterian congregation at this piace held a meeting yesterday and tendered a call to Rev. J. E. Cook, of Hoge Mamorial Church, Richmond, for its pastor to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Rev. E. W. McCorkle.

An effort was made last night to reach Mr. Cook, but without success. He had either retired or was away from his residence at the time.

Mr. Cook is exceedingly well known in Richmond, where he has been engaged in pastoral work for some time. He is held in much love by his congregation, and, moreover, enjoys the high esteem of his fellow-ministers. For a number of years he has been secretary and treasurer of the Ministerial Union of Richmond. Considerable of his time is given to special evangelistic work in the far East End, where in connection with the Rev. George IL Wiley, of the Methodist Institute, he has conducted several successful tent campaigns.

Some time ago Mr. Cook declined a call to a very attractive Southern field. He is much attached to Richmond.

DON'T BELIEVE IN **NEGRO EDUCATION**

sippi, Vetoes Bill Making Small Appropriation Therefor.

(By Associated Press.)

JACKSON, MISS., March 14.—Governor Vardaman this afternoon sent to the House his veto of the bill appropriating \$2,200 for the support of the Holly Springs Normal School, a colored institution. The Governor, in his veto message, takes ground against negro education, stating that it is not the best thing for the negroes. He advanced this view during his campaign for overnor. The Governor gave what he termed a constitutional reason for vetoing the bill. The veto message comes up in the House to-morrow and a stiff fight will be made to pass the bill over the Governor's veto. Some of the leaders say to-night that it will be successful. (By Associated Press.)

GIGANTIC FIGHTERS READY FOR PRACTICE

(By Associated Press.)

PENSACOLA, FLA, March 14,—The battleship squadron, composed of the Kearsarge, Alabama, Missouri and Massachusetts, arrived off the port to-day. They came up near the channel and dropped anchor, remaining for several hours, waiting for orders from Washington Afterwards they weighed anchor and crulsed about the target ground, apparently getting range on the targets. The Maine and Texas are also on the practice grounds, engaging in preliminary practice.

WILD EXCITEMENT NEW YORK THEATRE

Governor Vardaman, of Missis- Men in a Box at American Deliberate Attempt to Murder an Actor.

> (By Associated Press.) NEW YORK, March 14.-Great excite-

ment was caused at the American Thea-tre to-night by what appears to have been a deliberate attempt to shoot one of the performers by a man who sat in

of the performers by a man who sat in a stage box.

For a few moments after the shooting, the audience was on the verge of a panic, but the prompt action of the house manager, who rushed out on the stage and assured the audience that no harm had been done, prevented it.

During the third act of the play, the manager, while passing one of the boxes, heard a man within exclaim: "There he is, I'm goin to get rovenge." Immediately afterwards a shot was fired and two men ran out of the box. Edwin Kain, the treasurer of the house, attempted to stop them, but was knocked down and one of the men fired at him, but missed. The two occupants of the box then ran from the theatre and disappeared.